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SUBJECT: WORLD BANK/IMF PROPOSALS TO INCREASE EXECUTIVE
DIRECTORS AND ALTERNATES' SALARIES

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1. PER REFTTEL, LETTERS FROM SECRETARY SIMON WERE
FORWARDED UPON RECEIPT TO PRESIDENT KLOSS OF AUSTRIAN
NATIONAL BANK IN HIS CAPACITY AS GOVERNOR OF IMF
FOR AUSTRIA, AND TO FINANCE MINISTER ANDROSCH IN
HIS CAPACITY AS GOVERNOR OF THE WORLD BANK FOR
AUSTRIA. REPRESENTATIONS MADE TO KLOSS'
CHEF DE CABINET, DR. SCHMIDBAUER AND FINANCE MINISTRY
OFFICIAL RESPONSIBLE, DR. WOLFF, STRESSING PARTICULARLY
DIFFICULTIES SUCH INCREASES CREATE WITH CONGRESS.

2. EMBASSY NOW INFORMED THAT PRESIDENT KLOSS HAD
CAREFULLY CONSIDERED SECRETARY SIMON'S LETTER BUT BELIEVED
THAT DUTIES OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS AND ALTERNATES HAVE
INCREASED SUBSTANTIALLY IN RECENT YEARS AND HE THUS
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REGARDED PROPOSED INCREASES AS JUSTIFIED. HE ACCORDINGLY

HAS VOTED IN FAVOR OF PROPOSED SALARY INCREASES.

3. WE UNDERSTAND FINANCE MINISTER ANDROSCH HAS
TAKEN SIMILAR POSITION AND HAS ALSO INSTRUCTED THAT
AUSTRIA SUPPORT PROPOSED SALARY INCREASES IN IBRD.BUCHANAN

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